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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/695,351	Applicant(s) LEE ET AL.	
	Examiner Todd M. Epps	Art Unit 3632	

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 October 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 29-32 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 2-28 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 10/29/2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

This is the first Office Action for serial number 10/695,351, Display Supporting Apparatus, filed October 29, 2003.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter, which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claim 29 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding claim 29, line 1, "apparatuses" should be -- apparatus--.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1, and 29-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,310,152 to O'Neill. O'Neill discloses an upper engaging part (4) mountable on a ceiling, a swivel adjusting part (2), a flange member (22), a first engaging pipe (6b), a second engaging pipe (6c), a third engaging pipe (6d), and a display mounting part (10).

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Regarding to claim 29, O'Neill discloses a display mounted on the display supporting apparatus (10).

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-16, and 23-27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The prior art fails to teach a trunk part having a hollow projection, to project from a center part of the mounting plate and having on the bottom thereof, at least one pair of second engaging holes to couple to the flange member.

Claims 17-22, and 28 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The prior art fails to teach a second engaging pipe having an external diameter to correspond to an internal diameter of the first engaging pipe with at least one pair of first engaging holes, and provided with a trunk part having a hollow inside to couple to the first engaging pipe, and at least two pairs of second engaging holes on the bottom of the trunk part.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

U.S. Patent No. 6,443,412 B2 to Kuhn

U.S. Patent No. 6,394,403 B1 to Hung

U.S. Patent No. 6,328,270 B1 to Elberbaum

U.S. Patent No. 5,992,809 to Sweere et al.

U.S. Patent No. 5,490,655 to Bates

U.S. Patent No. 5,400,993 to Hamilton

U.S. Design Patent No. 377,897 to Vogels

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0141425 A1 to Obdeijn

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0135050 A1 to Lee et al.

The above references disclose structure similar to the applicant's invention.

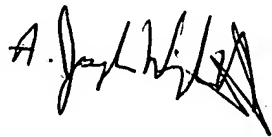
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Todd M. Epps whose telephone number is 571-272-8282. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (7:30-4:30).

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Olszewski can be reached on 571-272-6788. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Art Unit 3632
August 1, 2005

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Jay L. Epps", with a stylized flourish at the end.